

## MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING; LODI BORO COUNCIL; TUES. OCT. 20, 2015; 7 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER- Mayor opened meeting.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE - Borough Clerk read the Open Public Meeting Notice. Notice of this meeting was made by the Borough Clerk by paid legal advertising on October 27, 2014 in the Record Newspaper.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.  
ALSO PRESENT: Municipal Manager Tony Luna, Borough Attorney Ala P. Spiniello, Borough Engineer Tom Solfaro, Borough Auditor Frank R. DiMaria and Police Chief Vincent Quatrone.

### CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Certificates of Commendation to be presented to "Eagle Scout" Recipients:  
Mark A. Collazo, Anthony Doviak, Timothy Reade Ference & Travis Robert Habick. The Mayor and Council publicly recognized the four young men who have achieved the highest rank of Eagle Scout.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sept. 15, 2015

MOTION: CM Masopust, second CM Martin to approve.

Ayes: (4) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Mayor Carafa.

Abstain(1) Deputy Mayor Licata.

### COMMUNICATIONS

### REPORTS OF THE MANAGER

### RESOLUTIONS

Executive Meeting: Tuesday, November 10, 2015; 6 P.M.

Regular Meeting: Tuesday, November 24, 2015; 7 P.M.

CONSENT AGENDA ( These resolutions are matters covering operation of government and will be passed by one roll call vote covering all items on the consent agenda.)

1. Resolution No. 15-153 approving Bills for October 2015.
2. Resolution No. 15-155 approving vehicle dealer license to Auto Gallery, LLC. in accordance with its application and pursuant to Ordinance No. 808-31. (Auto Gallery, LLC. is in compliance with all police records according to the Police Department and has been fully investigated by the Fire Prevention Bureau and is found to be in order.
3. Resolution No. 15-156 approving Change Order and Amendment to Contract for Collection and Disposal of Solid Waste, Vegetative Waste and Recyclable Materials to include grass and yard waste and tree trimmings including leaves to be picked up at the rate of \$2,000.00 per week on each Wednesday during the months of October, November and December not to exceed 13 weeks or \$26,000, and to rescind Resolution No. 15-149 which incorrectly stated the amount of \$1,000.00 per week.
4. Resolution No. 15-157 authorizing to refund overpayment of taxes. Block 276, Lot 19; 37 Mac Arthur Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey 07644.

5. Resolution No. 15-158 approving renewal of inactive liquor license pursuant to N.J.S.A.33:1-12.39 for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 license terms. (licensee filed a verified petition to the State of New Jersey ABC for a special ruling. Director of the State ABC has reviewed said petition and has found licensee has established good cause in accordance with the statutory requirements to approve renewal.)
6. Resolution No. 15-159 approving Public Meetings and Executive Meetings of the Mayor and Council for the year 2016.
7. Resolution No. 15-160 approving Regular of Order of Business at each Council Meeting for the year 2016.
8. Resolution No. 15-161 authorizing to refund overpayment of taxes due to a State Tax Court Judgment. Block 130, Lot 42;  
351 Westervelt Place, Lodi,  
New Jersey 07644.
9. Resolution No. 15-162 approving vehicle dealer license to Car Direct, LLC. in accordance with its application and pursuant to Ordinance No. 808-31. ( Car Direct, LLC. is in compliance with all police records according to the Police Department and has been fully investigated by the Fire Prevention Bureau and is found to be in order.
10. Resolution No. 15-163 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 224, Lot 3.07( Route 17 & 17 Robinson Road, Lodi) for years 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015.
11. Resolution No. 15-164 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 9, Lot 42 (30 Charles Street, Lodi) for the year 2014.
12. Resolution No. 15-165 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 9, Lot 44 ( 26 Charles Street, Lodi) for the year 2014.
13. Resolution No. 15-166 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 44, Lot 19 (122 Grove Street, Lodi) for the year 2014.
14. Resolution No. 15-167 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 164, Lot 34 ( Fairfield Industrial Plaza, 98 Sidney Street, Lodi) for the years 2011 & 2012.
15. Resolution No. 15-168 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 89.01, Lot 19 (91 Union Street) for the years 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015.
16. Resolution No. 15-169 approving Settlement of Tax Appeal. Block 2, Lot 43 (246 Harrison Avenue, Lodi) for the year 2014.
17. Resolution No. 15-170 confirming endorsement of a Bergen County Community Development grant in the amount of \$120,000.00 proposed by the Boys & Girls Club of Lodi for Juvenile Intervention.
18. Resolution No. 15-171 confirming endorsement of a Bergen County Committee Development grant in the amount of \$102,625.00 proposed by the Boys & Girls Club of Lodi for Juvenile Intervention.
19. Resolution No. 15-172 authorizing the Appointment of Jamie England as Municipal Alliance Coordinator for the Borough of Lodi for a period of one (1) year commencing July 1, 2015 and terminating June 30, 2016 at the quarterly rate of \$350.00 per quarter which totals \$1,400.00 per year.

20. Resolution No. 15-173 establishing a new Petty Cash Fund.
21. Resolution No. 15-174 authorizing entering into agreement with Charles S. Cuccia, C.P.A. of Treasury Services providing professional financial tasks for the Borough.
22. Resolution No. 15-175 authorizing the Disposal of Certain Outdated Police Department Equipment.
23. Resolution No. 15-176 entering into a Grant Agreement with the County of Bergen Community Development in the amount of \$221,848.00 in FY2015-2016 for Road Resurfacing.
24. Resolution No. 15-177 approval to submit a grant application and to execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Central Avenue Improvements - Phase II project.
25. Resolution No. 15-178 awarding bid contract for project known as Central Avenue Improvements-Phase I to Cifelli & Son General Contractors, Inc., Nutley, New Jersey in the amount of \$265,577.50 upon the recommendation of the Borough Engineer.
- MOTION: CM Masopust, second CW Cima to approve.
- Ayes: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.
- CM Martin abstained on bill numbers: 15-02337, 15-02115, 15-02214.
- CM Martin voted No on bill number: 15-02049.
- CM Martin abstained on Resolution No. 15-155.
- CM Martin abstained on Resolution No. 15-162.
- CM Martin abstained on Resolution No. 15-170.
- CM Martin abstained on Resolution No. 15-171.

## (B) RESOLUTIONS

### ORDINANCES

Resolution No. 15-154 authorizing Borough Clerk to read Bond Ordinance Number 2015-13 by title only.

MOTION: CM Martin, CM Masopust to approve.

Ayes: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

**HEARING & ADOPTION; BOND ORD.**  
**ORD. NO. 2015-13**

Bond Ordinance to authorize the undertaking of various improvements to Voto-Tedesco Field in, by and for the Borough of Lodi, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, to appropriate the sum of \$110,000 to pay the cost thereof, to make a down payment, to appropriate a County Grant, to authorize the issuance of Bonds to finance such appropriation and to provide for the issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes in the anticipation of the issuance of such Bonds.

Mayor opened hearing on Ordinance No. 2015-13.

Any citizens in the audience wishing to be heard. None.

Mayor closed hearing on Ordinance No. 2015-13.

MOTION: CM Masopust, second Deputy Mayor Licata to adopt.

Ayes: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

INTRODUCTION;  
ORD. No. 2015-14

An Ordinance to authorize the leasing of Real Property and Improvements located at 163 Union Street, Lodi, New Jersey also known as Block 97, Lot 7.12 on the tax assessment map of the Borough Of Lodi from Lodi V.F.W. Holding Company, A New Jersey Corporation for public purposes.

MOTION: CM Martin, second CW Cima to approve.

Ayes: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Members congratulated Mayor Carafa for his recognition and achievement as one of the "2015 National Distinguished Principals of the United States", where the Mayor was honored recently. Mayor Carafa is a dedicated principal and educator to the school systems.

Mayor reported that unfortunately there was a house fire recently and complimented the Fire Department, Police Department, Ambulance Corps, Mutual Aid and all those who were involved with the fire. Mayor was happy to report that there were no injuries.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

HEARING OF CITIZENS

1. Eva Greco - 200 Union Street, Apt. 15D spoke on these issues:
  1. The 5 minute limit for the time allocated for the Hearing of Citizens portion of the meeting. She feels it is not rational.
  2. The behavior of Council Members in public.
  3. The cost of the school security officers in the schools and asked why the council and not the Board of Education paying the cost.
 Ms Greco spoke about why the security officers carry a gun. She suggested a taser instead.  
 Mayor answered:  
 Issue # 1; After doing a survey of various municipalities he found that some have a limit of 5 minutes and others have less. The County of Bergen has a limit of 3 minutes.  
 Issue #3; there is a shared service agreement between the Borough of Lodi and the Board of Education in regard to the school security officers. It is a joint shared service to protect the children of the town.  
 The security question involving the gun and taser, Police Chief spoke. Police Chief stated he has never received a complaint involving the carrying of a gun.
  
2. Dominic Staine - 89 Avenue E; mentioned at last month's council meeting he was presented with a plaque for the dedicated volunteer work he has done for the Borough of Lodi for 25 years and wanted to thank the Mayor and Council for their support and thoughtfulness.
  
3. Justin Watrel- 508 Colonial Avenue, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ; Member of the Friends of the Lodi Memorial Library - mentioned that on October 22<sup>nd</sup> the Lodi Memorial Library will be hosting Lindsey Giannini, New Jersey Miss America which will be tied in with the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of "Alice in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll at the library. He asked if a Proclamation could be written and presented to Miss America on that day.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: CM Martin, second Deputy Mayor Licata to adjourn.

Ayes: (5) CM Martin, CW Cima, CM Masopust, Deputy Mayor Licata, Mayor Carafa.

TIME: 7:40 P.M.

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAINED	ABSENT
S CM MARTIN	✓			
CW CIMA	✓			
M CM MASOPIUST	✓			
DEPUTY MAYOR LICATA	✓			
MAYOR CARAFA	✓			

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY AS ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF LODI, N.J. AT A MEETING HELD ON November 24, 2015  
 BORO CLERK Debra A. Alento